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RE: MB Docket No. 15-149

Tom Wheeler
Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Chairman Wheeler,

The Wenatchee Valley Chamber of Commerce represents the business community in central Washington. We are proud to work in a growing city, home to many diverse industries. As advocates for our region, we would like to express our support for the merger of Charter Communications, Time Warner Cable and Bright House Networks into New Charter. We believe this addition to the cable broadband industry would contribute to rural development and help boost job growth.

We support New Charter's commitment to reaching rural and underserved regions through many initiatives, but its promise to invest in infrastructure stands to make an impact on the largest amount of consumers. New Charter's desire to invest at least \$2.5 billion in commercial networks while also building out one million residential line extensions shows its commitment to reaching customers who currently need better service opportunities available to them. These investments would be coupled with plans for full digitization and access to cloud-based technology; a value to all businesses and residential customers who need optimized technologies to keep them competitive and engaged with their communities.

Additionally, New Charter's rural investments would bring innovative and reliable broadband to communities across the country. Its commitment to jobs would similarly impact regions throughout its national footprint. Specifically, New Charter would bring overseas call centers back to the United States, offering stable and prosperous work for many Americans. The move would also deliver better customer care to New Charter subscribers, an issue that plagues the industry as a whole.

We are excited to see the impact of New Charter's investments in infrastructure and jobs. We urge you to consider these benefits and approve the merger.

Sincerely,

Shiloh Schauer
Executive Director
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